Corporation Limited and Geological Survey of India have undertaken Survey Programmes in Andhra Pradesh during 1987 and 1988 as under:

MINERAL EXPLORATION CORPORATION LIMITED

(1) For coal in Sarangapalli, Shantikhan, Tedicherla and Chinoor areas.

(2) For Gold in Chigargunta blocks of Chittoor District.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA

(1) Systematic Geological Mapping in parts of Telengana and Geological and Geomorphological mapping in Coastal Andhra Pradesh.

(2) Investigations for Gold in Anantapur and Chittoor Districts, Diamond in Anantapur, Kurnool, Mehbubnagar and Guntur Districts and for Tin—Tungsten in East Godavari and Khammam Districts and Phosphorite in Cuddapah District.

(3) Coal exploration in Khammam, Warangal and Adilabad Districts.

Besides Geotechnical, Geoenvironmental investigations and Airborne Surveys were also carried out.

Casual labourers in the F.C.I.

1733. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of casual labourers working at present in the Food Corporation of India;

(b) whether Government propose to regularise them;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not ,the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) The quantum of operations in the FCI varies from day to day and season to season; and therefore, the number of casual labour working in various Depots, Purchase Centres, Mandies, Rice Mills and Port Offices varies from day to day depending upon the exigencies of work.

(b) to (d) In view of the general ban on direct recruitment in the FCI as also due to reduction of stocks and dehiring of hired godowns regularisation of the Casual Labour is not possible for the reasons of economy etc. Further, general instructions have been issued by the FCI Headquarters to all the sub-ordinate offices from time to time not to engage casual labour as far as possible.

Survey programmes in Prakasham, Andhra Pradesh

1734. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Geological Survey of India discontinued Survey programmes in Andhra Pradesh, in particular Prakasham district; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) No, Sir. Geological Survey of India has not discontinued survey programmes either in Andhra Pradesh or Prakasham District in particular.

(b) Does not arise.

Development in AIR Station at Adilabad

1735. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to develop the Adilabad All India Radio Station during the financial years 1988-89 and 1989-90; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.